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A message on the screen will tell you to press the play button on the cassette unit. Press the play button.

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OBJECT:

The Meanies are coming! The Meanies are coming! Blue meanies are falling toward your starbase like rain. They're trying to hit your power cells. Try to score as many points as you can by killing the meanies and saving your ship and your energy.

SCORING:

Your score appears at the bottom of the screen.

+10 for killing a meanie
−80 for killing your own supply ship.

ENERGY:

This number appears at the bottom of the screen. If your energy is less than zero, your weapons will not work.

+500 for supply ship landing
−50 for shooting lasers
−50 for normal meanies hitting ship
−75 for meaner meanies hitting ship
−100 for using repair robot

LASER CONTROLS:

Three lasers are located on each sidewall of your starbase. Use the following keys to fire your lasers:

Q — fire upper left laser
A — fire middle left laser
Z — fire lower left laser
E — fire upper right laser
D — fire middle right laser
C — fire lower right laser

ROBOT CONTROLS:

The repair robot fixes holes in your starbase. Use the following control keys to position him over the space you wish to fill with a block, and press the [:] key to replace the block.

[P] — Up
[L] — left
[:] — Build
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